

TAX REVENUE SENT SHOCK THROUGH STOCK EXCHANGES

Speculators Had Been Led to Believe the Measure Was Dead, and the Bears Reaped a Snug Harvest.

Now City Assessors Will Face the Big Problem of the Appraisal of the Values Involved.

Republicans Declare That Mr. Ford Has a Sure Thing for His Party's Next Nomination for Mayor.

Wall Street suffered a severe shock in the passage of the Ford franchise taxation bill. It tumbled values of city corporations and affected the general list. Metropolitan Rapid Transit declined 3 1/2 points; Manhattan 1 1/2. Consolidated Gas 3 1/2 and Brooklyn Rapid Transit 3 1/2.

The operators were slow to realize the true effect of the bill. At first it was thought it only touched some of the street railway properties and Manhattan R. R., but when it was learned that practically every franchise corporation doing business in the State was included it created a general bearish feeling. Even New York Central declined half a point.

Former Justice Brown, who represented the Metropolitan Street Railway Company before the Legislative Committee in opposition to the bill, said yesterday that the bill contained no provision for the variation of the rates to be taxed. It is left to the Commissioners to arrive at that. "If their assessment is to be contested the corporation will have to go to the Supreme Court and have the proceedings reviewed. As the law does not affect this year's levy it will be four or five years to consider what this company will do."

The street railway and elevated roads alone, according to President Ford, of the Tax Department, will be taxed on \$200,000,000 of franchise values instead of their visible real estate, such as structures, tracks, power, etc.

The ultimate revenue from the taxation of all the various concerns affected in this city is a matter of conjecture. The guesses of tax experts range from as low as \$15,000,000 a year to as high as \$100,000,000 at the present rate. The effect must be, therefore, to reduce the tax rate materially.

The franchises will be assessed on the average market value of the stock and bonds, not upon the value of the property. The franchises are not to be assessed on the exchanges will present difficulties in the way of determining the value of their franchises.

The new tax does not apply to purely commercial corporations, such as trust and insurance companies, and incorporated law firms making use only of their own property in their business.

Republican politicians found little else than the franchise tax bill to talk about yesterday. The prevailing comment was that Governor Roosevelt had become convinced that he had lost the support of the Platts machine in the national convention, and so decided to disavow the boss's order. And very many Republicans agreed with Abraham Gruber that nothing but his death could prevent the nomination of Senator Ford as the next Republican candidate for Mayor of New York.

WORKMAN KILLED BY A CABLE CAR IN THE BOWERY.
It Was a Third Avenue Cable Car, with No Fender—Madison Avenue Car Threw Him Under It.

Nicholas Hildebrandt, of No. 206 East Forty-fourth street, employed by Naughton & Co. on the conduits of the Third Avenue Railway, was carrying Belgian stone yesterday morning when he was struck by the Bowery and Prince street cable car as he reached the track to look out for a car. He jumped to the south-bound track of the Madison avenue line, where a south-bound car of the Madison avenue line, hidden by the cable car, struck him and threw him in front of the oncoming cable car. He was wedged under the track and dragged several feet.

The car was stopped and backed and Hildebrandt was taken to Government Hospital, where he died.

The third avenue car had no fender. Edward J. Coffey, the gripman, was arrested.

ORDERS AND ASSIGNMENTS IN ARMY AND NAVY.

Washington, April 29.—These department orders were issued today:

NAVY.
M. R. Goldsborough and D. V. Chadwick are appointed assistant paymasters in the navy.

Medical Director A. L. Gilson is granted a year's leave of absence.

Lieutenant-Commander E. B. Barry, of the Franklin, is detailed to the Amphitrite.

Lieutenant-Commander A. G. Berry is detailed to duty as assistant inspector at Tompkinsville.

Lieutenant L. A. Shearn is promoted to Lieutenant-Commander.

The officers named are assigned as follows:

First Lieutenants Matthew C. Smith, to Second Cavalry; Harry H. Patterson, Third Cavalry; Hugh D. Berkeley, First Cavalry; Frank Parker, First Cavalry; Harry Cavanaugh, Tenth Cavalry; Gordon G. Heiner, Fourth Artillery; Edward E. Hiers, Third Artillery; Robert E. Callan, Fifth Artillery; George T. Patterson, Third Artillery; Albert J. Bowley, Fourth Artillery; Bertram C. Gilbert, Sixth Artillery.

Captains Charles J. Bailey, to Seventh Artillery; Adolph Cronkhite, Fourth Artillery; Charles A. Bennett, Third Artillery.

Captain Charles W. Fenton will proceed to New York City for appointment to duty as aide-de-camp on General Grant's staff.

Captain Frederick H. Pomroy, Commissary of Subsistence, United States Volunteers, at Buffalo, N. Y., will report at San Francisco for assignment to duty as an assistant to the chief commissary.

SOME BIG CORPORATIONS AFFECTED BY THE FORD FRANCHISE TAX.

Par Value.	Market Premium on Stock Added.
Brooklyn Rapid Transit Ry.	\$40,000,000
Metropolitan Street Railway Co.	57,436,000
Third Avenue Railroad.	14,000,000
Manhattan Railway.	69,922,000
New Electric Combine.	72,000,000
Consolidated Gas.	37,858,030
	(Not yet quoted.)
	63,317,000

The tax is levied on the franchise value, determined by subtracting the value of visible property now assessed from the market value of the capitalization. Less than half the par value represents, in most cases, the visible property now paying taxes.

HOW THE SLOANE CASE WAS GARNERED.

Lawyers Discuss the Unusual Methods by Which It Was Kept Secret.

HER SOCIAL STATUS.

Society Is Wondering How It Will Receive Mr. and Mrs. Perry Belmont.

The surprisingly successful efforts of the attorneys for Mr. and Mrs. Henry T. Sloane in keeping from the public all inkling of the suit for divorce are being discussed in the city after it had been ordered to be heard before a referee was the one subject discussed among lawyers yesterday.

In that exclusive set of which Mrs. Sloane was such a conspicuous member the gossip about the celebrated case and her sudden marriage to Perry Belmont at Greenwich, Conn., which so closely followed the recording of the decree, took the form of forecasts of Mrs. Belmont's social status and the probable attitude of former friends toward her when she returns.

However, close to irregularity of the divorce case to screen it from the public may have come it was the unanimous opinion of lawyers yesterday that no rule of court had been broken, and that the secrecy was due chiefly to the ingenuity and sagacity of the counsel employed and the great wish of both sides to avoid publicity.

In an ordinary case where the attorneys and their clients did not possess such vast means, the divorce would be a public matter, together with the name of the referee. It is a custom of the Supreme Court to publish in its reports the names of the attorneys who appear in the case, and to record all orders, and at first many lawyers thought that the case would be published. But there is nothing in the code or in the Supreme Court rules on the point, and De Lancy-Nicol and Augustus Brown took advantage of this fact.

That it was most unusual, however, is shown by Justice Sloane's ruling in the order which provided that the order of reference should be recorded under the date of March 25, when it was made, instead of the day it was made in reality.

Mrs. Sloane Made Answer.
In all divorce cases where an answer to the complaint is served, the suit may be heard before a referee, so that it is known that Mrs. Sloane made an answer to her husband's charges. Under the law, however, this answer need not be verified, and it is said that Mrs. Sloane's answer was a general denial of the charges, but the denial was not sworn to.

Rule 76 of the Supreme Court provides that no pleadings or answers in a divorce case shall be shown to any one except the parties or their attorneys, and all papers in the case except the pleadings and answers shall be accessible only to Mr. Sloane, Mrs. Belmont, Mr. Nicol or Mr. Brown. The points on which the complaint was based, however, have become public property.

Rule 72 of the Supreme Court forbids the court to appoint as referee any person named upon the pleadings, and the referee, said, William L. Turner, who heard the case, was practically a stranger to the Sloane case. The attorneys, he said, were not in the case, but the referee was not in the case.

Mr. Turner was at his office in the Cotton Exchange building yesterday, but refused to be interviewed about any phase of the case. He was appointed referee by Justice Scott, under whom he was Assistant Corporation Counsel.

In the Sloane case the necessary motions were made to the justice, either in his private chambers or so secretly that even the clerk in the room knew nothing of them. This is as unusual as the failure to publish the order of reference or to record it in the County Clerk's office, but here again, the attorneys were within the right, although attorneys of less influence representing clients of less prominence in all probability would have made these motions in the usual fashion.

It is said that when the order of reference was signed it was carried away by the attorneys. This, too, was a proceeding that has few precedents.

Lawyers, however, are not disposed to criticize Justice Scott, who ordered the reference, Justice Storer, who signed the decree, or the attorneys in the case. They laugh instead at the sharp trick practiced on the public.

Society Is at Sea.
Society is still wondering what it will do and how it will act when Mr. and Mrs. Belmont return. Although the question has been gone over and over again since the Sloane troubles reached a climax, no decision has been reached regarding the effect of recent events upon Mrs. Belmont's social position. It is certain, however, that as Mrs. Belmont will lose some of the friends that she had as Mrs. Sloane.

The Gerties have been her staunch friends ever since her domestic difficulties began, but it is doubtful if they will now champion her cause. Mrs. John Jacob Astor will, it is said, help Mrs. Belmont to fight her battles. The two young marrieds have always been close friends, and the former Mrs. Sloane has sided with Mrs. Astor in more than one of her domestic difficulties.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Belmont will probably go this summer to Newport, where Mr. Belmont has a cottage, and there they will determine more clearly the attitude of former friends toward them.

Few persons were more surprised to learn of the divorce than the Rev. W. M. Barrows, the Greenwich pastor, who married Mr. and Mrs. Belmont. He expressed regret yesterday that he had performed the ceremony, and said:

The Clergyman Deceived.
"I was approached on Thursday night after the first prayer meeting service, by Fred A. Hubbard, who asked me if I would marry a pair on Saturday morning at 10 o'clock. I told him I would be at home on that day, and inquired who the parties were. He told me Mr. Belmont and Mrs. Sloane."

A friend of Mr. Belmont, but did not remember having seen or heard of Mrs. Sloane. I asked if she was a widow, and understood Mr. Hubbard to say that she had procured a divorce a year previously. Perhaps he said that proceedings had been begun at that time. I asked him if there were any reasons why they should not be married by me.

If the divorce had been granted in Oklahoma I would have nothing to do with it. I said, but a New York divorce I believed to be all right. I finally consented to tie the knot on Saturday.

The ceremony was performed in the parsonage. I concluded that there would be considerable notoriety connected with the affair, and that it would be best to have nothing to do with it.

On Friday morning I went to Mr. Hubbard's office to tell him of my decision, but he was away. In the afternoon I was approached by a representative of Mr. Belmont, who told me that owing to the sickness of Mrs. Belmont's sister in Washington, he wished to accept the services of Mr. Belmont, and that he had been informed that I would officiate. I told him of my wishes, and finally was obliged to keep my promise for the wedding, but of this I was ignorant at the time.

It is not known as yet whether or not Mr. Sloane will sue for the return of the East Seventy-second street, which he transferred to his wife at the time of their separation last fall, and which is now being held in trust for the two children. The house and contents are valued at \$500,000.

CHURCH ABANDONS ITS ANCIENT CREED.

The New Old South Church in Boston Discards a Confession of Faith That Was Adopted in 1680, and Has Been Almost Forgotten.

Boston, April 29.—The new old South Church, at Boylston and Dartmouth streets, one of the most famous Congregational churches in this city, formally threw overboard last night the creed and confession of faith which was adopted in 1680 and which was for nearly 200 years the test for admission. This creed has not been used since 1855, and the congregation which heard it read last night was astonished at some of its moss-grown articles. Then they unanimously voted to abandon it. Some of its provisions were as follows:

"By the decree of God, for the manifestation of His glory, some men and angels were predestinated unto everlasting life and others foreordained to everlasting death."

"These angels and men thus predestinated and foreordained are particularly and unchangeably designed, and their number is so certain and so definite that it cannot be either increased or diminished."

"Neither are any other redeemed by Christ, actually called, justified, adopted, sanctified and saved but the elect only."

"The rest of mankind God was pleased, according to the counsel of His will, whereby He extendeth or withholdeth mercy as He pleaseth for the glory of His sovereign power over His creature, to pass by, and to ordain them to dishonor and wrath for their sin, to the praise of His glorious justice."

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LILL LEHMANN PROMISES TO SING FOR GIRLS IF THEY ESCHEW FEATHERS, AND THUS SAVES SONG BIRDS.

Five Hundred Maidens, of New Brunswick, Agree to the Diva's Proposal.

THEIR HATS ALL WINGLESS.

The Songstress Will Entertain Them on Her Return to America Next Fall.

Mme. Lill Lehmann, the opera singer, has consented to sing to the pupils of the Livingston Avenue High School, in New Brunswick, N. J., next November, provided the girls eschewed bird feathers on their hats.

The announcement was made to the scholars yesterday by Mrs. Mary B. Jordan, musical director, and a majority of the 500 girls have agreed to the bargain.

Mrs. Jordan recently met Mme. Lehmann, and their conversation turned upon the efforts of the lovers of song birds and members of the American Society to discourage the killing of birds for the sake of their plumage. Mme. Lehmann was enthusiastic, and asked Mrs. Jordan if she could get her pupils to agree not to decorate their hats with birds and birds' feathers. Mrs. Jordan said she would try to do it.

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STRIKING MINERS LIGHT FIRES OVER STORE OF DYNAMITE.

All Telegraphic Communication with the Mining Town of Wardner, Idaho, Suddenly Cut Off, and the Governor Asked to Order Out Troops.

Portland, Ore., April 29.—President A. L. Mohler, of the Oregon Railway and Navigation Company, telegraphed the officials in this city from Wardner, Idaho, at 3:30 p. m. today that the striking miners had fired the Bunker Hill and Sullivan mill and that it was burning. It is believed that the mill is loaded with dynamite and that the entire property will be a total loss.

The striking miners are also reported to be in possession of the Northern Pacific and Oregon Railway and Navigation trains, and to have complete control of the situation.

There are about one hundred masked men, heavily armed, at and about the mill, and there have been several skirmishes with the authorities during the night, in which one man is reported to have been shot.

There are fully eight hundred miners at Wardner. They are forcing to go to the mine in a body and drive out the two hundred and seventy non-union men employed there. President Mohler has telegraphed the Governor of Idaho of the situation, and a State officer has been dispatched to the scene of the trouble.

The Governor has promised to do everything in his power to preserve order and prevent bloodshed, but it is believed that unless prompt steps are taken there will be great loss of life and destruction of property.

Since the telegram from President Mohler was received the strikers have cut off wires and telegraphic communication with Wardner is now cut off.

GIRL BRUTALLY BEATEN; HER FATHER ARRESTED.
Her Arms and Back Full of Splinters from the Rod with Which She Was Corrected.

Agents King and Pinarra, of the Gery Society, visited No. 135 Baxter street on Friday afternoon. They found in the hallway ten-year-old Angelina Buzal in great pain. Her face, hands, arms, breast and back were covered with scars and bruises. The girl said she lived with her aunt, a Mrs. Saloni, upstairs. Mrs. Saloni told the officers that the girl lived with her uncle in Newark and received her injuries by falling down a flight